



SATURDAY EVENING, SEP. 23, 1905.

THERE was another shooting affray in Alexandria late yesterday afternoon which resulted in the instant killing of a negro from Georgia. This is but one of a dozen similar occurrences in this city during as many years. Most of these murders and homicides have been among colored people. The body of yesterday's victim now lies in an undertaker's establishment with a ghastly bullet hole extending from his back to his right breast. He seems to have deliberately thrown his life away, but in carrying out his rash intention was bent upon slaying any one who had the nerve to approach him. Armed with two guns and two pistols and a supply of cartridges, he fortified himself in an old house on the outskirts of the city and through crevices in the side of the building attempted to lay low any one who came near him. It was necessary to kill him in order to bring his murderous career to a close and the colored man who had been summoned to aid the police was justly dismissed in the police court, as it was a case of excusable homicide. Reference has been made in the Gazette to the increased number of murders and homicides in Alexandria. Four occurred in one year. Besides these there have been many attempts to take life. During recent years negroes have figured as principals in such cases. Last spring, it will be remembered, one attempted to shoot and kill another member of the race on Fishtown and ran with police men and others at his heels in the same direction the would-be murderer took yesterday. He, too, attempted to use a pistol on his pursuers. A small percentage of the colored race appreciate the conditions under which they live and improve their opportunities. They are justly respected. The larger number, however, are morally worse off than they were previous to the adoption of certain constitutional amendments which have placed them upon a plane which, instead of improving the majority of the race, has placed them in a position to use liquor and drugs and to give rein to passions and appetites which are casting them headlong to destruction.

ANOTHER Virginia newspaper has gone under. The Prince William Times, a weekly established at Manassas in May, 1904, by an incorporated company known as the Prince William Publishing Company, has suspended publication. The paper was owned and controlled by local men, and during the period of its publication was under six separate and distinct managements, but each proved a failure. The Prince William Publishing Company found it necessary to borrow money to keep the paper in existence and executed a deed of trust upon the plant. The plant will now be sold by the trustee at the request of the beneficiaries in this deed of trust. Newspapers are expensive toys nowadays and are no longer supported through sentiment. Indeed, the impression is abroad that there are too many of them published already and those who would establish new ones must have a long purse and be possessed with unusual patience.

It is reported in Washington that the acceptance of campaign contributions from life insurance companies may deprive Postmaster General Cortelyou of the chance of succeeding to the Secretaryship of the Treasury when Secretary Shaw retires next February. President Roosevelt's reported anger over the matter necessarily, it is claimed, makes Cortelyou one of the objects of his indignation, and it is now asserted that the latter will receive no promotion, but, on the other hand, may be forced to leave the Cabinet. Should this course be pursued it would be base ingratitude, for Mr. Roosevelt must admit that he, himself, is the beneficiary of the money which was in truth stolen to buy his election.

It is now said that evidence that the asphalt trust aided in the attempted overthrow of the Venezuelan government by giving supplies and money to the Matos revolutionists, submitted in the suit of Venezuela against the New York and Bermudez Asphalt Company, has at last been accepted in Washington as almost a conclusive reason why the United States should take no further steps toward aiding the trust to recover property in Venezuela now held by the agents of President Castro under court proceedings. It should not have taken five minutes to have reached this conclusion.

THE campaign for State officers was opened in Winchester last night by the republicans. The speakers were Capt. William P. Kent, candidate for Lieutenant Governor, and U. S. Deputy Collector Robert W. Blair, of the Western district of Virginia. The speakers severely arraigned the democratic party, charging it with graft and corruption in Virginia. Well, this reminds one of the fable of the fox with his mouth full of feathers berating all who like geese.

THERE is trouble in Cuba. Rival political parties have succeeded in bring-

ing about bloodshed and the execution of the United States, which country wrested the island from Spain and turned it over to revolutionists, has been defiled. This country has for many years coveted this hornet's nest, where insurrections have been chronic. It now virtually exercises a suzerainty over it, and, sooner or later, will be called upon to restore order.

WHEN the big corporations in the 1904 campaign discovered they could not control Judge Parker they are said to have contributed large amounts to the campaign fund of Mr. Roosevelt, whom they at first opposed. Then, of course, they expected to control Mr. Roosevelt. Are they doing so?

### From Washington.

Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.] Washington, D. C., Sept. 23.

The French wine trust is the newest thing in octupuses. Consul Bardi, of Bamberg, Germany, writes that the six important winegrowing districts of Heilbrunn, Aude, Gard, Pyrenees, Orientales, Bouche du-Rhone and Var are in the combination, the growers of those districts having agreed to sign a fifty year contract. The capital of the organization will be \$57,900,000. An elaborate system of finance is proposed for the control of sales, distribution of profits, construction of additional wine vaults with a capacity of over 7,000,000 gallons and for profit sharing among the employees. The growers of the districts named expect to have other districts join the trust.

Jacob Sleeper, the U. S. charge d'affaires at Havana, has cabled the State Department confirming the press dispatches about the rioting at Cienfuegos which resulted in the killing of Congressman Villuendas, one of the leaders of the liberal party, and the chief of police of the town. Mr. Sleeper makes no comment on the situation. The United States is vitally interested in the situation for one of the issues of the campaign is the Platt amendment. The liberal candidate for the presidency, Jose Miguel Gomez, governor of Santa Clara province, promises, if elected, to have this Platt amendment, which has been incorporated in the Cuba constitution, repealed.

Acting Public Printer Ricketts put an end this afternoon to a species of graft which has flourished in the government printing office for years in ordering that all symposiums there close up their affairs as speedily as possible. More than a dozen symposiums exist in the office for the purpose of lending money to employees. One far-reaching result was the borrowing of money to bet on the races, scores of employees not receiving a dollar of salary in months.

J. A. Wells, a colored man wanted by the authorities of Amelia county, Va., on a charge of murder, who was arrested yesterday, waived all formalities of extradition this morning before Justice Claiborne and agreed to return to Virginia. Wells, it is alleged, caused the death of Boney Lipscomb, a negro, by poisoning. The trouble between the two started some months ago when Lipscomb fired a shot at Wells in a fight. Seeking revenge, Wells is alleged to have put poison in the spring on Lipscomb's farm, and that Lipscomb's death resulted.

### "The Clansman."

Thomas Dixon's play, "The Clansman," had its first performance at Norfolk last night, and it played to an immense house. The treatment of the subject of race equality, as shown in the performance there, without doubt, create a profound sensation both north and south. Bold as he has been in his novels, Mr. Dixon in this play has become bold to a point that is hazardous to the peace of whites and blacks. There is a scene where a negro, the reconstruction Governor of South Carolina, attempted to force his marriage upon a daughter of a white northerner, and the repulsion of the father of the girl. The drama, for it is a drama of enormous intensity, fairly shook the audience in body and soul. The play has elements which will assault all white men, and which will dismay black men. The play was enthusiastically received, but the intensity of the climax brought a mingling of hisses and applause in immense volumes, the whites applauding and the several hundred negroes in the gallery hissing. Mr. Dixon was called before the curtain for a speech, and was given a tremendous ovation.

### Fell From Roof to Cellar.

A loss of \$200,000 and serious injuries to a number of firemen resulted from a fire yesterday near the business center of Charleston, W. Va. The fire started on the fourth floor of the six-story building occupied by Eskew, Smith & Cannon. It destroyed that building and stock, also the adjoining building, occupied by the Charleston Natural Gas Supply Company, the Banner typewriter agency and the Christian Science Hall. Noyce's china store building and the Charleston Cut Flower Company's building and stock also were burned. Four firemen on the roof of the three-story Noyce building were carried down to the cellar of that building with a mass of wreckage that went down with the wall of the Eskew, Smith & Cannon building. All were rescued, but were badly hurt.

### Fatal Accident to Bicyclist.

Harry Oberlander, the 14-year-old son of Mrs. William Oberlander, of Frederick, Md., was thrown from his bicycle yesterday afternoon and, falling against the wheel of a Baltimore and Ohio engine, suffered concussion of the brain, from which he died at the Emergency Hospital Thursday. He was riding his wheels on the boardwalk beside the railroad tracks, and as the 4 o'clock passenger train from Baltimore was entering the station the boy's wheel seemed to strike a stone, which threw the wheel from under him toward the engine wheel. The train was stopped, and when the boy was picked up his head and face were so badly cut that he was taken to the hospital.

### Still a Mystery.

Boston, Sept. 23.—No one has yet been found who has offered any reasonable suggestion as to the possible identity of the young woman who was murdered in a criminal operation and whose dismembered corpse, packed in a leather suit case, was found floating in the water at Winthrop, Thursday afternoon.

### News of the Day.

Bishop William, Parrot of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Maryland, celebrated his seventy-ninth birthday yesterday.

The receiver for the Washington City and Suburban Railway Company has been discharged and the long litigation over its property has ended.

The State Supreme Court of Minnesota has decided that the State has power to tax the franchises of the Western Union Telegraph Company.

In the investigation by the legislative committee in New York the fact was yesterday brought out that James H. Hyde, former vice president of the Equitable Society, had participated in more syndicate operations than were disclosed by the Frick investigating committee.

Joseph Girard, who is suspected of having killed young Gusie Pfeiffer, whose body was found near Pelham road, is believed by the New York police to have left a trail of crime that is just beginning to be uncovered. The police now connect him with three murders.

Kid Sullivan, of Washington, was given the decision over Harry Lewis, of Philadelphia, after fifteen hard-contested rounds before the Eureka Athletic Club in Baltimore last night. While Sullivan had the advantage of the bout at the finish, yet it was the opinion of many of the spectators that a draw would have been a fair decision.

Reports from the famine districts of Spain show that the workmen threaten to burn and sack if they are not furnished with food. Appeals have been sent to the government to distribute rations. It is reported in Panama that President Amador and the canal commission are endeavoring to attract Spanish immigrants from the famine districts of Galicia. They are considered to be the best workmen for Panama.

The insurance investigating committee in New York yesterday began work on the Equitable, and it was shown that many syndicate deals were taken over from officers of the society. It was also brought out that in at least one case, notwithstanding G. W. Perkins's connection with J. P. Morgan & Co., the Equitable obtained securities handled by that firm more cheaply than the New York Life did; a letter from Grover Cleveland was read at the hearing.

### COURT OF APPEALS.

In the Court of Appeals at Staunton yesterday the following cases were heard:

Commonwealth vs. Ed. Stacy, for writ of error and supersedeas; from Circuit Court, Buchanan county; writ refused; Stacy was sentenced for killing R. C. Mullen.

Rowland vs. Rowland; from Circuit Court of Clarke county; transferred to Richmond.

Bailey vs. Augustus A. C. Corporation of the city of Charlottesville; continued until next term.

Norfolk and Western Railway Company vs. Harman; from Circuit Court of Botetourt; argued and submitted.

Hamilton vs. Stephenson et al.; from Circuit Court of Highland county; continued until next term.

Chestnut vs. Chestnut; Circuit Court of Highland county; argued and submitted.

Campbell et al. vs. Bryan et al.; argued in part and continued until tomorrow.

The court is rushing to get through the docket, and has been holding afternoon sessions. It will probably adjourn before next opinion day.

### Flight of a Woman Teacher.

Miss Tennie Scott, daughter of a prominent family in Scott county, Virginia, is a fugitive from justice, having fled across the Tennessee line to escape a warrant charging her with criminally beating a little girl who was a scholar in the public school in which Miss Scott was teacher. At State City, Miss Scott was tried Monday during her absence and found guilty of the charge. She was fined \$50 and sentenced to 90 days in the county jail. She has been summoned to trial, which lawyers say makes the proceedings regular. The evidence shows that the child was terribly beaten and lacerated. The little girl had just entered school, being only 7 years old, and through diffidence refused to go on the platform to recite. Miss Scott sent away the other students, and closing the door, beat the child so that for several days it was thought the injuries would prove fatal. The indignation throughout the county is intense. Requisition will be made on the Governor of Tennessee for the delivery of the young woman to the Virginia authorities.

### Sent on to Court.

In the Richmond Police Court yesterday morning Justice Crutchfield refused to accept the plea of guilty entered by J. B. Wood, Jr., charged with firing a gun on the street, and he was bailed in the sum of \$500 for a hearing on September 29. The case grew out of a sensational occurrence Thursday night on Fifth street, when Mr. Wood, said to have been moved by jealousy because of the attentions of Robert Bunce, of Norfolk, to his wife, attacked Mr. Bunce on the street. Wood was whipped in the fist fight that ensued. Then he drew a knife, but Michael Harvey, a bystander, interfered and was cut on the arm. Then Wood rushed to his room, got a revolver, and fired three times at Bunce on a street filled with people returning from the theatre. The bullets struck no one. Mr. Bunce is thought to have returned to Norfolk. Wood had previously had a difficulty with him, and an effort will be made to get the court to provide against any such occurrences in the future.

### Ten Millions in Sugar.

Two vessels from Java, the British steamship Sutherland and the French steamship Charles Tiberghien, landed at Philadelphia Thursday. 22,500,000 pounds of raw sugar, on which the government assessed a duty of \$400,000. The ship Bangalore, from the Hawaiian Islands, landed 5,000 tons of raw sugar on Tuesday, and the ship Tillie Starbuck was due there yesterday with an equally as large cargo from Honolulu. The steamship Alaskan has just finished discharging 9,500 tons of sugar from the Hawaiian Islands, which is said to be the largest cargo of the kind ever discharged at Philadelphia. Sugar to the value of \$10,000,000 has arrived during the past week, which exceeds the importation of any other Atlantic port for the same period.

### The Market.

Georgetown, Sept. 23.—Wheat 60c82.

### Virginia News.

The price of gas in Charlottesville has been increased, as the plant is now losing money.

The funeral of the late ex-Governor O'Ferrall will take place from the Second Presbyterian Church, Richmond, at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon, and the burial will be in Hollywood.

Miss Katharine Ritter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James I. Ritter, of Greenwood, Frederick county, died yesterday, after a week's illness, with typhoid fever. She was 25 years old.

William Ayers, Jr., one of the oldest citizens of Danville, a Confederate veteran, and for twenty years city tax collector, died yesterday as the result of a stroke of apoplexy. He was sixty-five years of age.

The Charlottesville bond issue election on Thursday failed to carry because of the fact that only 500 votes were cast out of a total registered vote of 1,098. The law requires that a majority of the registered voters shall vote on the question.

James H. Ryan, a native of Loudoun county, aged sixty-five years, died recently at Herndon, Fairfax county. He was a member of Company A, Eighth Virginia Regiment, Confederate States army, and a gallant soldier. His widow and five children survive.

Presbyterians are making great preparations for the one hundred and eighteenth annual meeting of the Synod of Virginia, which will be held in Richmond the latter part of October. A large concourse of people from this State, Maryland, District of Columbia and West Virginia will attend the sessions. Miss Hattie Leith, daughter of Mr. Lawrence Leith, of Loudoun county, died Wednesday night, near Union, from injuries received in a runaway accident. While driving with her father the horse became frightened by a bicycle on the side of the road and both were thrown from the vehicle. Miss Leith receiving a fracture of the skull. She never regained consciousness. Mr. Leith is still ill from the effects of the accident.

Judge and Mrs. Giles Cook, Jr., of Front Royal, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Kathleen, to Mr. Sydney Byrne Downing, of that city. The wedding will take on October 9 in the Front Royal Presbyterian Church. The prospective groom is the son of Henry H. Downing, and was for three years a student at the University of Virginia. He recently purchased "Bel Air," a handsome residence just south of Front Royal, where the young couple will make their future home.

### Revolutionary Speech.

A dispatch to Jena, Duchy of Saxony, says that the socialist congress yesterday unanimously adopted Dr. Bebel's resolution, declaring that inasmuch as all the political parties in Germany were seeking to hinder the growth of the socialist movement by restricting or abolishing manhood suffrage and the secret ballot, the socialists were justified in using their utmost efforts to combat this attack on the nation's political rights and recommending the organizing of all workers for a general strike, if necessary to protect these rights. Prior to this adoption Dr. Bebel made a revolutionary speech, which was indorsed throughout by enthusiastic demonstrations of approval. Disavowing a general strike now, Dr. Bebel insisted that it was essential to organize with the view to such a movement as a means of upsetting the plans for the abolition of manhood suffrage. Liberalism in Germany, he declared, was hopelessly dead, while the forces of capitalism were growing rapidly. The capitalist leaders were spoiling for a fight with the working classes. They, however, would do well that advised against such a combat. It would only end in the triumph of the social democracy. Dr. Bebel referred to the martyrs of the Paris commune and urged that victory was obtainable only by readiness to suffer martyrdom. If the development of political antagonism and capitalism to socialism led to open revolution he was prepared to take his place in the revolutionary ranks.

### The Odd Fellows.

The question of the independence of the Patriarchs Militant of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows was considered yesterday by the Sovereign Grand Lodge in secret session in Philadelphia. The committee to whom the matter was referred reported, but the matter was set aside until the next annual session in Toronto. In the interim the Patriarchs will continue their present relations with the Sovereign Grand Lodge. The Sovereign Grand Lodge made several changes in the constitution. The specific part of the constitution remodelled was section 1, article 9, which relates to the manner of electing grand representatives from the different jurisdictions. The article until now provided that two new delegates should be elected yearly, but it has been so changed as to permit the election of one of the delegates to hold the position of grand representative so long as his jurisdiction wishes to retain him, and that the second shall be elected yearly.

This was done with a view of keeping one man from each jurisdiction who will be familiar with the workings of the grand lodge in order that his colleague will not be beset with the usual difficulties attendant upon inexperience. In this way every grand master and every grand patriarch will have one year at the sessions of the Sovereign Grand Lodge. Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer. Fewer gallons; takes less of Devote Lead and Zinc than mixed paints. Wears longer twice as long as lead and oil.

### IN MEMORIAM.

In loving remembrance of my dear son, IRVING C. PAGE, who died September 24, 1899.

I mourn for him; he was my child.  
Lord, pity my distress.  
Thy rod seems heavy, yet, my God,  
Thy name I'll ever bless,  
My Saviour, ever kind to me,  
I love Him fond and true.  
Does He forbid my wounded heart  
To love my Irying, too?

Can he be dead? Oh, has a dream  
My throbbing brain beguiled:  
Oh, shall I in this world again  
No more behold my child?

In golden fields beyond the tomb  
There will my darling dwell,  
A dower of immortal bloom,  
Now, Irving, dear, farewell!

I leave you in your Saviour's arms  
On that eternal shore,  
Where loved ones, parted here, below,  
Shall meet to part no more.

### MOTHER.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

### Today's Telegraphic News

#### Fire in Lynchburg.

[Special Dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.] Lynchburg, Va., Sept. 23.—The brewing extract factory of this city was totally destroyed by fire this morning. The building, a five-story structure, was located on the Southern Railway. Both north and south bound morning trains were delayed several hours. Several large wholesale houses were in danger, but the firemen confined the flames to the burning building. The total loss is estimated at \$20,000, partially covered by insurance.

#### The Troubles in Cuba.

Havana, Sept. 23.—Excitement is still at fever heat both at Havana and Cienfuegos over the sensational shooting affray which occurred at the latter city yesterday and resulted in the killing of Congressman Enrique Villuendas, leader of the liberal party, and Chief of Police Illance. This excitement has also been communicated to many parts of the island to which news of the shooting has reached. Clashes between the people and the police authorities have been reported from several parts of the island and troops hurried to all points where danger threatens. The largest detachment of troops is being sent to Cienfuegos. Five carloads of soldiers with artillery and 18,000 rounds of ammunition have been dispatched to that city. Other troops are being sent into the Matanzas and Santa Clara districts. It is expected that the presence of the troops will be necessary to carry out the elections for members of the election boards today. The military will exercise a strict watch over the elections to see that they are carried out legally, in all cities where troops are stationed, and the police authorities in other towns have likewise been instructed to take precautions to see that all legal requirements are carried out in the elections.

One of the disturbances occurred at Santiago de los Baños. Three liberals entered the moderate club there waving machetes and firing revolvers. They were arrested by rural guards. The fact that definite details as to exactly what occurred at Cienfuegos yesterday have not been allowed to reach the people is responsible for much of the excitement that still exists. The government has exercised a strong censorship and only such facts as it wishes the people to know, have been allowed to appear. This has caused many reports of a conflicting nature to get abroad. One report states that six men were killed and 25 wounded, instead of two, as the government account of the affair has stated. The finding of two dynamite bombs in the rooms of the Hotel Suizo, where the trouble occurred, has given a more serious aspect to the affair. Rumors of a plot which was being fomented by liberals have been started on account of this discovery and are being scattered broadcast by moderate and government supporters. Little news as to how the election is proceeding throughout the country has been received so far, and it is feared that later reports will show that serious outbreaks have occurred.

Havana, Cuba, Sept. 23.—Government dispatches from Cienfuegos state that a plot on the part of the liberals to blow up the city hall, court house and other public buildings with dynamite had been brought to light.

#### Suffering From Starvation.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 23.—The inhabitants of Baku are suffering from starvation, typhus and thescurvy. The Mayor has telegraphed that he is powerless to remedy the situation, and has sent an urgent appeal for help. The number killed during the recent rioting was 548 Armenians and 105 Tartars. Over 400 houses of Armenians were destroyed during the troubles. The discontent in Finland, where repressive measures are being adopted, is constantly growing. The governor general of Finland has resigned as the result of the dissatisfaction which exists there. The correspondent of the Publishers Press is informed on reliable authority that the restriction which has been placed on the Jews prohibiting them from living in certain districts is to be lifted to some extent, and they will be granted the right to live in several districts, including St. Petersburg, from which they have formerly been excluded.

#### To Be Returned to This Country.

Montreal, Sept. 23.—John T. Gaynor and Ben. D. Green will have to go back to the United States now unless something altogether new turns up. Justice Quinlan today maintained Extradition Commissioner Lafontaine's decision of every point and ordered the return to Gaol of Green and Gaynor for surrender or release by executive power. He decided the commitment regular and said three crimes were disclosed—participation in the fraud by agent, embezzlement and receiving stolen money, knowing it stolen. He also passed an admissibility of evidence adduced in New York showing it certified by Commissioner Shields and finally by Attorney General Knox, making it legal here under treaty. Counsel for defense say they will confer to find some new means to hold their clients from surrender.

#### Turkey Approves.

Constantinople, Sept. 23.—The Porte is greatly excited over the fact that James Bryce, the British statesman and writer, and author of the "American Commonwealth," is making a tour of Macedonia. Mr. Bryce is president of the English Balkan committee and the Porte fears he is gathering material on his present trip for a spectacular denunciation of Turkish rule in Macedonia in the House of Commons. Orders have been given to detectives to keep a close watch on all of his movements.

#### New York Stock Market.

New York, Sept. 23.—In the first few minutes arbitrage brokers bought 20,000 of Steel and have continued buying on a large scale. There were heavy orders on both sides of the market at the opening.

#### \$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pledged to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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### Automobile Races.

Minneapolis, N. Y., Sept. 23.—The American elimination trials for the Vanderbilt cup races, which will be held on October 14, were run off here this morning. Ten cars started. The contest was four times around a course of 28 1-4 miles, making a total of 113 miles. The first five cars to finish are to represent America in the big race. First car to finish in the automobile race this morning was the Pope Toledo, a 60 horse power car owned by A. L. Pope, entered by the Hartford Automobile Club, and driven by B. H. Dingley. The elapsed time was 2 hours and 50 seconds.

The second car in the finish was the automobile owned by Dr. H. E. Thomas, and driven by Joseph Tracy, the elapsed time being 2 hours, 1 minute and 49 seconds. The third car to finish was the Royal Tourist, driven by R. Jardine, which finished at 8:01:18. Jardine's elapsed time was 2 hour, 19 minutes and 18 seconds. The fourth car to finish was the Haynes, driven by Frank Nutt, which crossed the line at 7:53:42, and the elapsed time was 2 hours, 23 minutes and 32 seconds. Fifth was the Thomas car, driven by M. Roberts, which completed the circuit at 8:18:40, the elapsed time being 2 hours and 29 minutes and 40 seconds. After the Thomas car had finished the race was declared off and these five teams will represent America in the big race to be run in October.

### France and Venezuela.

Paris, Sept. 23.—In official circles it is not considered that the Venezuelan situation is in any way acute. France's action in regard to the controversy with President Castro has been limited to sending instructions to her minister to obtain satisfaction for the indignity contained in President Castro's letter. The question in regard to the rights of the French cable company will remain in the judicial domain. There is a prevailing feeling here that President Castro will not insist upon holding the position he has assumed when he sees that France is in earnest, and that he can no longer count upon the support of the United States.

An attaché of the Foreign Office in discussing the Venezuelan case this morning with the correspondent of the Publishers Press said: France adopted a policy of moderation toward Venezuela and I do not foresee at the present time any necessity for such energetic action as a breaking off of diplomatic relations or making a demonstration, although we are naturally free to adopt in the future whatever measures any complication which may arise may dictate.

### Peaceable Agreement.

Karlstad, Sweden, Sept. 23.—The representatives of Norway and Sweden reached an agreement today in regard to the terms upon which the union between the two nations will be dissolved and the protocol setting forth the agreement was signed at 2:30 this afternoon. The terms of the agreement between the two countries will be published next week.

Stockholm, Sept. 23.—The government declines to state the exact terms of the agreement reached with Norway at Karlstad, but permits the inference to be drawn that the Norwegians abandoned their position on almost every disputed point, owing to the pressure of the powers. The satisfactory adjustment of the differences gives general relief, as a dangerous feeling had been growing that Norway desired a war. This permitted the jingoes in Sweden to obtain more influence than the government desired.

### Charged with Murder.

Wilmington, Del. Sept. 23.—C. Preston Hering, in the city court this morning, was held without bail for hearing Monday on the charge that he murdered Howard Bullock. Shortly before midnight Hering, accompanied by his wife, was returning from the theatre when Bullock chased Mrs. Hering. Hering drew a revolver and fired four times to scare the man. He then took his wife home and found later that he had shot Bullock. Hering reported to the police and accompanied officers to the place where the body was found.

### Servia Sends Ultimatum.

London, Sept. 23.—The correspondent of the Central News at Vienna wires that a despatch received there from Belgrade says that Servia has sent an ultimatum to Turkey in reference to the violation of the Serbian frontier by Albanians and Turkish troops. Servia demands that the officers commanding the troops which are charged with violating the frontier shall be dismissed, that an indemnity shall be paid to families who have suffered at the hands of the Turkish troops, and that the Porte shall offer an apology for the incident.

### Raised Ancient Corn.

Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 23.—While digging in one of the forts of the mound builders, thought to be as old as the Pyramids, a farmer living near Memphis found an earthen vessel containing part of an ear of corn. He planted a few of the grains this year, and in spite of their great age, they sprouted and bore. The yield was sparse, the grain, small and sooty, almost black but very hard and of a shape never before seen in the Mississippi Valley. Great interest has been aroused over the strange crop.

### Smugglers Captured.

Vienna, Sept. 23.—Reports have reached here regarding the capture of a band of Galician smugglers by Russian troops on the frontier near Kuzmaycow. The advices state that the smugglers were frightfully tortured by the soldiers. Hot irons were applied to the captives and they were beaten on the bare feet with iron rods. The smugglers were then stretched out on the ground and boards were laid over them and on these the soldiers jumped and danced.

### Yellow Fever.

New Orleans, Sept. 23.—The number of yellow fever cases reported yesterday was 37, and deaths 4. The situation in the rural district is undoubtedly improving. The situation in Mississippi did not improve yesterday. There were four new cases in Natchez, and several in Vicksburg.

### Startling Mortality.

Statistics show startling mortality, from appendicitis and peritonitis. To prevent and cure these awful diseases, there is just one reliable remedy, Dr. King's New Life Pills. E. Flannery, of 14 Canton New Life Place, Chicago, says: "They have no equal for Constipation and Biliousness." 25c at E. S. Leadbeater, & Sons, druggists.

### A Romantic Wedding.

London, Sept. 23.—Mrs. Mary Newman, aged seventy-eight years, and Charles Ricketts, seventy-two years, were married today at Epping, and the wedding marked the culmination of an unusual romance. They had been lovers for forty years, and the affection which Mrs. Newman felt for Ricketts led her to separate from her husband.

The parties met in 1865, and fell violently in love. Mrs. Newman left her husband but no divorce was secured. The lovers determined to wait for each other until Newman should die. That was forty years ago, and through all the intervening years they have remained faithful in their devotion.

Newman recently died and the long delayed ceremony was performed today. The seventy-eight-year-old bride appeared at the altar in a blue gown and wearing a white veil and carried a bouquet.

### The Moroccan Situation.

Paris, Sept. 23.—The Moroccan situation is considerably improved today. Conferences between Dr. Rosen, the German Minister to Morocco M. Ravol; the French representative, and Premier Rouvier have been arranged for this afternoon. It is expected that a satisfactory agreement upon all points which have been the subject of dispute will be reached soon.

### Death in Father's Kiss.

Gravel Switch, Ky., Sept. 23.—Jason Chumbley, who lives in the county, returned home Thursday to visit his wife and children. Upon his arrival he grasped his six-year-old daughter by the chin to kiss her